

# Speaking Events

## Individual

**Overview:** A business speech based on FBLA-PBL goals, current events, and/or relevant business topics that are created and articulated by competitors.

Event	Equip. Setup Time	Prep Time	Performance Time	Warning Time	Time Up	Penalty over Time	Q&A
<b>Impromptu Speaking</b>	NA	10 min.	4 min.	3 min.	4 min.	Yes	No
<b>Public Speaking I (9th &amp; 10th grade only)</b>	NA	NA	4 min.	3 min.	4 min.	Yes	No
<b>Public Speaking II</b>	NA	NA	5 min.	4 min.	5 min.	Yes	No

### Regulations

- Refer to *National Competitive Event Guidelines* for description and procedures.

### Eligibility

- A member may enter only one individual or team event and one chapter event. A member may enter only one individual or team event and one chapter event. Who's Who in FBLA and Future Business Educator does not count as an event.
- No other reference materials such as visual aids or electronic devices may be brought to or used during the event preparation or presentation.
- Competitors must prepare speeches. Advisers and others are not permitted to help.
- Handouts are not allowed.

### Judging

- The rating sheet(s) the judges will use are found in the *Wisconsin Competitive Event Guidelines*.
- All decisions of the judges are final.

Event Name	Specific Guidelines
<b>Impromptu Speaking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two (2) 4" x 6" note cards are given to each competitor and may be used during event preparation and performance. Information may be written on both sides of the note cards.</li> <li>• The cards will be collected following the presentation.</li> <li>• No other reference materials such as visual aids or electronic devices may be brought to or used during the event preparation or presentation.</li> <li>• Topics must relate to one (1) or more of the FBLA-PBL goals.</li> </ul>
<b>Public Speaking I (9th &amp; 10th grade only)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The speech must be of a business nature and must be developed from one or more of the FBLA-PBL goals.</li> <li>• When delivering the speech, competitors may use notes prepared before the event.</li> <li>• No other reference materials such as visual aids or electronic devices may be brought to or used during the event preparation or presentation.</li> </ul>
<b>Public Speaking II</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The speech must be of a business nature and must be developed from one or more of the FBLA-PBL goals.</li> <li>• When delivering the speech, competitors may use notes prepared before the event.</li> <li>• No other reference materials such as visual aids or electronic devices may be brought to or used during the event preparation or presentation.</li> </ul>

# Public Speaking I

## Individual Event

### Eligibility

- Each local chapter may enter one (1) member to compete in this event.  
*Only members enrolled in grades 9 and 10 of the current school year are eligible. Middle Level members who choose to compete in this event at RLC are not eligible to advance to SLC in this event. Middle Level members are required to compete in only Middle Level Events at SLC.*
- Participants must not have competed in this event at a NLC.
- Speeches are not to be under 3:31 or over 4:29 minutes.
- When delivering the speech, competitors may use notes prepared before the event.

### Administration of Events

RLC	SLC
All participants perform—no preliminary/final rounds.	All participants will perform in a Preliminary Round. Schedules will be posted at SLC, not before.
Order of performances is random.	Top 8 finishers in the preliminary round will compete in a final round of performances.
Performances closed to conference attendees.	Order of performances is random.
	Performances open to conference delegates, except performing participants of this event.
Top THREE finishers advance to SLC competition.	Top FOUR finishers advance to NLC competition.